

RE: SIM mixing zone: 300 ft regulatory mixing zone and marine criteria applied

Ahmed, Anise (ECY) to: Lisa Olson

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History:

This message has been replied to.

Hi Lisa:

I am so involved with other projects that I am not sure when I will get to SIM's mixing zone study. But I want to capture everything that we discussed. If you kept any meeting notes would you be kind enough to share that with me. I have some meeting notes as well. So, I will compile the two. Thanks

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Got it. Thanks, Anise.

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SIM mixing zone

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Hi Ed,

Following are my comments on the updated Seattle Iron and Metals (SIM) Mixing Zone Study. These comments also include discussions with EPA (Ben Cope and Lisa Olsen):

- 1. The near surface submerged discharge gave the lowest dilution factor. According to SIM this condition occurs only 14% of the time during the rainy season months. SIM is planning to address this issue in their engineering report to minimize/stop discharge during these events. Ecology concurs and encourages SIM to proceed in this direction.
- 2. Because the discharge is freshwater and the ambient waters are saline particularly at depth, a deep outfall would likely create a much better mixing and a higher dilution factor due to buoyancy. Ecology encourages SIM to explore this avenue

Lisa, please chime in if EPA comments were not answered in this e-mail.

Thanks

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